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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This responds to the Office Action dated January 5, 2010 ("the Office Action"), which set a three-month shortened statutory period for reply ending on April 5, 2010. It is believed that this paper is timely filed. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 28 of this paper.